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DEATHS:

On the 11th September, at the French Hospital, Bangkok, H. GIAO, aged 35 years.
On the 15th September, at No. 15, Burmese Road, Sing-pore, LIZZARD, the widow of the late THOMAS AUGUSTINE D'CRUZ.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

It cannot be said that the most recent telegrams about the Balkan crisis put a more favourable aspect on the situation, or are of a character reassuring to those who have not given up hope that the peace of South-eastern Europe may be preserved. Servia has joined Bulgaria in lending aid to the revolutionaries in Macedonia, and the Belgrade Government has made the same excuses as that of Sofia in reply to Turkish remonstrances. The Press of the Serbian capital is openly advocating a defensive alliance with Bulgaria against Turkey, demanding that the excesses of the troops in Macedonia shall cease and that reforms shall be introduced. The two "Christian" states—the adjective seems a particular misnomer now in the case of Servia—have a strong card to play in demanding the cessation of religious persecution, a card which has never failed to score where Turkey and Turkish rule over Christians has been concerned. But, as we have pointed out recently, the manoeuvre is an exceedingly dishonest one just now. The harrassing of the Macedonians has been th

work of Bulgarians and the non-Bulgarian Christians in Macedonia have been the heaviest sufferers at the hands of their Bulgarian co-religionists. The Greeks have become as indignant at the sufferings of their fellow-countrymen in Macedonia that they have openly proposed to join the Turkish side in event of a war between Turkey and Bulgaria, while the Hellenic Minister at Constantinople has repeatedly made representations to the Porte for the protection of Macedonian Greeks, not from the Turkish troops but from the "revolutionaries," i.e., the Bulgarians of the province, reinforced by bandits from over the Bulgarian border. Abundant confirmation of the sufferings of the Greeks was brought by the last mail papers. REUTER's correspondent at Salonika, among others, relates that in the *wilayet* of Monastir the insurgents selected for their operations villages in which the majority of the inhabitants were not Bulgarians, but Greeks or Wallachs. This plan was embarrassing to the Turks, as any wholesale destruction of such villages would have looked like punishing the innocent with the guilty, and it was ruinous to the non-Bulgarian villagers, their lives and property being exposed to destruction from friend and foe alike. "These remarks," says the correspondent, "apply to towns like Krushevo and Klissura, and may serve to explain the well-founded apprehensions of the purely Greek villagers of Nausta, when they heard the other day that a band of insurgents was hovering on the hills above their village." Of the terrible misdoings of the Bulgarians there is not the slightest doubt possible. Yet Bulgaria is posing as a champion of Christians oppressed under Turkish rule. Not that the Turkish troops can be acquitted of committing atrocities. The consular report from Salonika, published some ten days ago, must have been based at least on a great deal of truth, and its testimony against Turkish methods was damning. But the Turks were retaliating for outrages upon their countrymen, an excuse which was freely used in the case of the excesses of the allied troops in North China in 1900. The Turks cannot be expected to have a higher standard than other European nations.

Undoubtedly, we think, next to the general predisposing effect of Turkish misgovernment (which is incontestable, though there is a tendency to exaggerate its extent), the mischievous activity of Bulgarians, both in Macedonia and in their own country, is mainly responsible for the miserable situation in the Balkans. Many other causes have been adduced, varying according to the sympathies and prejudices of the writers. A correspondent at Constantinople last month wrote that there the general impression was that though official Russia is opposed to a disturbance of the peace, and does not encourage the Macedonian agitation, the Committees have the support of the Pan-Slavist party. That is probable. But a French publicist has found another cause. In an article in the *Éclair* of Paris last month the writer said:—"Things would work by themselves if Europe were unanimous, and agreed on the line of conduct deemed necessary to impose on the Government of Constantinople; but M. DE PRISSESENSE is perfectly aware that it is not so, and that the hateful ABDUL HAMID has been secretly encouraged in his resistance to the Austro-Russian project by an ally with whom one is obliged to count, a powerful ally, whose tortuous diplomacy has succeeded in obtaining this result, namely, to render common action impossible, and isolated action extremely dangerous. Behind the Sultan there is WILLIAM II. It is exceedingly likely that Macedonia would have been pacified long ago if the Governments of 'Christian' populations in the Balkan region had not been driven to put the question to themselves, What attitude will Germany take, and what new complications would that attitude lead to were the actual crisis being dealt with by an armed force?" This is a curious theory. There is, however, at least this much truth in it, that the Kaiser does not desire an upset of South-eastern Europe which will instil an anti-German, or at least pro-Slav, power in the most commanding position. Why should he? His statesmanship would certainly be questionable if he did. An influential Sofia newspaper, the *Vedemost*, was last month lamenting the existence of a deep plot between Germany and Austria to crush the power of the Slavs in the Balkans, and pointed out that the absent Prince FERDINAND is a German, without any sympathy for his Slav subjects. This Austro-German plot, of course, pure nonsense. But neither Germany nor Austria-Hungary wish to see Pan-Slavist aspirations fulfilled in the Balkans. Better the Turk, they naturally hold, than the Bulgarian, or the Russian. But the Turk must reform. How to force him to do so is the problem, as it has been for so many years.

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We regret to hear that Sergeant Angus McSwain, of the Police Force, who has been in hospital for some time suffering from a swollen foot, has developed symptoms that have led the doctors to decide on the amputation of the left leg below the knee. The operation is due to take place to-day.

The Police are making investigations into a case in which, it is alleged, two robbers entered a house at 55, Queen's Road East at the beginning of the week, and attempted to gag a woman and boy. These latter called out "Save life!" and the robbers made off without stealing anything.

The Japanese steamship company which is about to run shallow draught steamers into Hunan waters is to be called the Hunan Kisen Kaisha. Two steamers at the Quan Iron Works are approaching completion, while two barges built at Shanghai are expected to be ready by the end of this month. All arrangements will be finished early in November. The company will commence operation about the middle of that month.

In our report of the Criminal Sessions case in which six persons were convicted in connection with the theft of jewelry from Mrs. Gillanders, we omitted to state that the Chief Justice, in passing sentence, commended the police for the way they had worked in following up the case and recovering the stolen goods. This praise falls upon Sergeant S. O'Sullivan, Sergeant Wilden, and Chinese Detective 338, through whose nuturing investigations the whole gang were brought to book.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme at the Kowloon Hotel during dinner this evening (weather permitting):—

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The Editor of the *Shanghai Times* has found an ingenious way of adding to the news items in his paper. He announces that a prize of \$25 is offered for the best item of exclusive news sent to the *Times* between the 16th inst. and the 12th December. The matter forwarded must pertain to China and must be of recent origin. It may be written in any language. It may be long or short, but must prove to be authentic. The editor and staff will judge the contributions received and publish any article, whether adjudged successful or otherwise.

Considering the growing prices of Crown land in Hongkong it is interesting to note that the Government of the Colony of British Guiana states that homestead grants of land in the colony for areas not exceeding five acres are made for 5d. an acre, but the grantee must continually reside on and beneficially occupy the land for ten years; at the end of which time it becomes his absolute property. The Crown lands can be purchased outright for 7d. per acre, but in addition, surveying fees amount to 10d. and office fees 3d. per acre—in all, 1s. 10d. per acre. Land is rated at 2d. per acre if cultivated, and 3d. if uncultivated.

The following is from the *Kobe Chronicle*:— Reverence for the Imperial family was shown in a peculiar manner in Corea recently, and fittingly rewarded according to the customs of the country. It appears that a number of soldiers were engaged in destroying worms which were playing havoc with the pine-trees surrounding the Queen's tomb. To show his loyalty to the Government or reigning family and his anger at the audacity of the worms to approach so near the Royal tomb, one of the soldiers ate a bowl full of the *mushi*. This act was reported to high quarters and the worm-eater was promptly made a captain. Unworthy imitators of the noble deed followed. One soldier was made very sick by the repast, and he failed to score promotion, so the chances are that he will affiliate with the first revolutionary organization he hears of.

In his report on the foreign commerce of Russia, the British Consul-General at St. Petersburg states that "year 1902 may be classed as one that was unsatisfactory for Russia in many, if not all respects, and closed with no promising aspects for the future." Compared with the preceding year, the total foreign trade of both European and Asiatic Russia, returned at £157,735,622, showed a slight increase, and the exports from European Russia, owing to a harvest above the average, were of greater value; the augmentation was entirely neutralised by a great falling off in the value of the Asiatic export trade, due to the disturbed state of the Chinese markets. The exports of European Russia to the United Kingdom show an excess of £4,621,064 on a total of £20,037,349, an increase which is to be ascribed to larger shipments of grain and other agricultural produce. The imports from England, returned at £10,551,363, present a decrease of £215,658, and constituted only 18.2 per cent. of the value of the import trade. German imports amounted to £21,556,630, or 38.4 per cent. of the entire value of the goods imported.

Mr. F. W. Potter, the Shanghai cricketer, is fortunately getting over his cholera attack.

We notice that His Majesty Don Carlos of Portugal is candidate for the Fellowship of the Zoological Society of London.

It was officially notified in Singapore on the 15th inst. that Negapatam had become an infected port owing to an outbreak of cholera there.

The death is announced from Tokyo of Danjuro, the greatest Japanese actor of the old school, whom house papers used to delight in calling "the Henry Irving of Japan."

The New York *Herald* recently announced that the *Williamsburg Star* came out as an eight-page paper this week. Barring the fact that two of the pages were upside down and another was an absolute blank, the typographical appearance was neat and attractive.

A Johannesburg cable message to *African Commerce* last month says:—Opinion here is very "bullish" with regard to labour, the prospect of Asiatic importations growing more favourable day by day. The greatest opponents of the Chinese have been the small traders, and these, owing to bad trade, due to depression of mining industry, are now voicing round.

A New York telegram just before the first America Cup race stated:—The backers of *Reliance* hesitate, on account of the time allowance received by *Shamrock*, to offer 2 to 1, but the supporters of the latter boat demand 5 to 2. A bet was made in Wall Street of 2,250 dollars against 1,000 on *Reliance*. It is reported that a considerable amount of even money has been placed on *Shamrock* to win at least one of the races.

The *Times of Ceylon* says that Mr. A. Clement Smith, District Engineer, P. W. D. (son of Sir Cecil Clement Smith, former Governor of the Straits Settlements), who proceeded home some months ago on recovering from the effects of the railway accident he met with at Kandy, which necessitated the amputation of one of his legs, was returning to the island by the N.D.L. steamer *Roan* on the 18th inst.

It is reported that a Korean privy councillor has memorialised the Emperor, suggesting that a Loyalty and Truthfulness Guild be formed in a certain province of Corea where those qualities are perhaps remarkable by their absence, and that all the young men of the province be required to become members. The recruits will be furnished with guns and uniforms. It is estimated that in this way about a hundred (?) young men could be enrolled as a militia reserve.

It is well known that the Russian squadron now, mobilised in Nogli Asiatic waters has received great reinforcements from Europe, but the extent of the fleet is not definitely known. Some of the Japanese vernacular paper give the strength of the squadron as consisting of nine battleships, with an aggregate tonnage of 110,232, and five armoured cruisers representing 49,016 tons. These armament amounts altogether to 217 heavy guns and 570 smaller guns, with 60 torpedoes.

The *Shanghai Times* publishes the following:—Peking, 15th September. Ex-Marshal Sun denied the charge, made against him, of having appropriated a large sum of money, namely £1s. 130,000 odd, out of the war fund for his own uses. He pleaded that there was no money in the treasury of Kwangtung at the time, and he could not have embezzled the sum of money mentioned above. The Board of Punishments has not yet been able to decide his case. In spite of what has been reported, it seems a farcical sentence has never been passed on him.

According to news by the last mail from Vladivostock, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, there were eleven Russian war-ships, two Italian, one British, and one French warship in the harbour at the time the *Kamtschatka* left the Russian port. Trade still continued depressed. It was also reported that twenty-seven of the released captains and purser of the Japanese schooners, which were seized by the *Akitsushima* on the 4th inst. for Tsingtao, The Japanese Commercial Agent at Vladivostock expressed his doubts whether the Russian authorities would return the vessels seized.

The P. & O. steamer *Persia*, on her voyage from Bombay to London last month, had an eventful time. All went well till, when close to Aden, she slowed down and went some way on her course, apparently refusing to answer her helm. In the Red Sea she broke down altogether, but was able to anchor. This delayed her nine hours. She then proceeded without incident till just beyond Port Said, when, suddenly slowing down again, she described two or three complete circles before being brought to a standstill. It is supposed her steam steering gear had jammed, for she proceeded almost immediately. She was a day late in London instead of, as usual, a day early.

Referring in a talk with an interviewer, to Austria's vote at the late Papal election, Cardinal Gibbons said: "It came as a thunderbolt. We were all perfunctory Austria would indirectly oppose Cardinal Rampolla's election, but no one expected that a veto would be openly published. When the Cardinal of Cracow was seen to rise and declare that he spoke in the name of the Austrian Emperor the Sacred College remained stupefied at the audacity of the thing. Lively and solemn protests were forthcoming. At first the belief prevailed that Cardinal Puzyna had chosen the wrong moment, and that after a scrutiny Cardinal Rampolla's triumph would be assured."

The *Advertiser* of Lloyd publishes the following despatch dated Canton, 13th September:—Viceroy Tsoo Chien-huan has started from Linchou on his way back to Canton. The local mandarins express doubt that his return is prompted by a success in fighting the Kwangsi rebellion.

The *Universal Gazette* says that in response to the summons from Peking ordering Wu Ting-fang to proceed to the capital, the Chinese treaty commissioners wired back to the Throne asking that Wu might be excused from starting at once, owing to the fact that the new American treaty has not yet been completed.

The Chinese Commercial Treaty Commissioners have communicated to the Wai-wan-pu requesting the latter to instruct the Viceroy of Nanking that in future only one who knows a foreign language, especially English, shall be eligible as the Magistrate of the Mixed Court in the Shanghai settlement.

There was an interesting little ceremony of an informal character at the Oriental Hotel, Kobe, on the 9th inst., the *Kobe Herald* states, when, in the presence of a number of old China hands, Commander Lowe, R.N., late of H.M.S. *Bramble*, presented Mr. Moffat, of the Shanghai Volunteers, with a Medal for service rendered at the time of the Boxer disturbances in China in 1900.

William Finney, a high diver, and brother of the well-known Professor Finney, met with a serious accident during a performance at Bloomsbury (Walsall) water fete. He dived from a platform 30ft. high into a canvas tank containing 7ft. of water, but did not rise. He was taken out in an unconscious condition, and was subsequently removed to the hospital. No hopes were entertained of his recovery. It is supposed that he struck the bottom of the tank.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha remarks the *Nagasaki Press*, have deservedly the reputation of omitting nothing which can contribute to the comfort and pleasure of passengers on their steamers. Recently they have turned their attention to the question of the *cu-iue*, and to the end that it may be as satisfactory as possible, they have engaged three Englishmen—a steward, a cook, and a baker—who will be moved about among the vessels, imparting everywhere the necessary instruction. These experts are now on the *Kumano-maru*, now on the way to Australia. On their return on that vessel they will be sent to the Shanghai boat and to those running to America. Finally they will go to the new *Nikko-maru*, when they are ready for sea. Each man has been engaged for three years.

The following is a sample of theatrical criticism in Manila, the name being suppressed (though they appear in the original):—Miss _____, in street costume, is a very fair looking and interesting little body. With a flaxen hempig and an excess of green paint, however, she is little less than horrible in appearance. Miss _____ is a soubrette who walks with a swagger. Her specialty is a song—"Do it again"—which she pronounces as if *ai* in "again" was pronounced *e*. Nobody would ever mistake her for anything but an Australian—not even in the dark. Miss _____ is a fat girl who sings and dances—some: Miss _____ sings in evening dress. I don't see why, but I suppose it is because there must be some seriousness in the show. Such remarks might be expected to hurt—some.

The physical condition of the Japanese has deteriorated, says the *United Service Gazette*. This is very unmistakably shown by the recruit returns, and by the reports of medical officers entrusted with the examination of the recruits. Year by year the doctors state the conscripts who present themselves before the examining boards are of ever-increasing feeble constitution. For instance, during the last ten years the average weight of the recruits has decreased by about five pounds, and this, in view of the fact that the Japanese are naturally a small and light people, is a very serious diminution. One of the most eminent Japanese surgeons has, in fact, declared that in his opinion eight or nine of every ten conscripts called are not really in every respect fit for military service. Last year, 1902, only about 44 per cent. could be passed by the doctors. But is it not possible that the doctors are now more severe than they used to be?

CRICKET.

We learn that nine of the players for the Inter-port team have already been selected. After the match next Saturday it will no doubt be possible to mention the names of the probable team. Twelve players will be taken up to Shanghai—a wise precaution, as the breakdown of any one member might otherwise put the team in a very awkward position.

THE POLLARD COMPANY.

There was again a large audience at the Theatre Royal last night to witness the production by the Pollard Company of this much-talked-of piece. If it does not smack of the risqué, there can be no two opinions with regard to the genuine comedy of *A Gay Night in Paris* or with regard to the sparkle of its dialogue and the spiritedness of its action. The house received it with every mark of approbation. Mr. Edward Nahle carrying off first honours in the role of Pinglet. Miss Marjorie Tempest sang "The Carnival" in a manner that showed off her splendid voice to perfection and secured her a double encore. To-night *A Gay Night in Paris* will be repeated. To-morrow and on Saturday the piece will be *What Happened to Jones*.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE BALKAN TROUBLES.

LONDON, 21st September. Bulgaria has completed arrangements for concentrating 200,000 men on the frontier within one week. Two battalions fully equipped left Philippopolis yesterday for Hermann, near the frontier, amid the cheers of the populace.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

NOTES FROM THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

The seven teams that will compete for the Sir-a-wife Challenge Cup and Medals are as follows:—

C. T. Kew (Capt.), H. W. Sayer, E. Henderson, H. C. Austin, A. B. de Venue, R.N., W. R. Robertson.

W. W. Clark (Capt.), W. T. Caulfield, R.E., J. Johnstone, O. J. Barnes, W. A. Drake, L. Chesney, R.E.

J. D. Danby (Capt.), G. B. Macdonald, R.A., H. A. Seth, E. B. Pye, J. P. Jordan, S. Hinckman.

J. W. C. Bonnar (Capt.), H. S. Holmes, C. Humphreys, F. D. Bain, A. R. Rogers, W. A. Stepani.

H. A. Brent (Capt.), H. S. Gaskell, R.E., J. M. Forrester, W. A. Rowley, R.N., P. H. Campbell, R.E., J. H. A. Hance.

W. G. Worcester (Capt.), A. Boyd, Dr. Kew, H. C. Sandford, C. C. Hickling, A. O. Braum, C. D. C. Wolfe (Capt.), A. Humphreys, R. H. Craig, W. H. Williams, H. R. Robinson, R.N., E. J. Davies.

The following will act as substitutes:—

Messrs. C. B. Hayward, H. M. Bain, S. A. Seth, J. H. Seth, P. S. Jamison, E. A. Hinckman, H. C. Gray, J. Burnett, J. W. Crouch, and G. Gittings. Also any new members joining after this date and the last two mentioned players in the above seven teams may act as substitutes.

Kick-off.—Not later than ten minutes past five. Off-side.—Two players.

The matches will be played as follows:—

September 28. Clark v. Bonnar

Worcester v. Brent

30. Kew v. Danby

Wolfe v. Bonnar

October 2. Clark v. Worcester

Brent v. Wolfe

5. Clark v. Kew

Clark v. Brent

7. Wolfe v. Danby

Brent v. Kew

Danby v. Worcester

12. Kew v. Bonnar

Wolfe v. Clark

14. Clark v. Danby

Bonnar v. Brent

15. Bonnar v. Brent

Wolfe v. Worcester

16. Kew v. Worcester

Danby v. Brent

18. Wolfe v. Kew

Danby v. Bonnar

20. Worcester v. Bonnar

The Club colours are white crepe shirt, dark blue knicker and stockings.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Board will be held to-day, the 24th September, at 4 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Correspondence relative to the sites recommended to Government for the erection of Public Latrines and Urinals.

2. The President pursuant to notice will move:—

1. That the Board, under the provisions of Section 39 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute Dr. Macfarlane to institute summary proceedings before a Magistrate against any person contravening any of the Bye-laws duly made under Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

2. That the Board, under the provisions of Section 256 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute Dr. Macfarlane to institute summary proceedings before a Magistrate for the recovery of any penalty imposed by Part II. of the said Ordinance or any Bye-laws made thereunder.

AGENDA.

1. Applications for exemption from the provision of a scavenging lane at the back of Nos. 41 and 43 Wing Lok Street.

2. Correspondence relative to proposed scavenging lane for 4 new houses between First and Second Streets.

3. Correspondence relative to the provision of open spaces, &c., for certain houses on Kowloon Island Lot Nos. 1/90 and 1/98.

4. Application for permission to erect a trough closet on Inland Lot No. 1/33.

5. Correspondence relative to a suggested site for the purpose of depositing rubbish, &c., during stormy weather.

6. Application for a licence to sell articles of food on premises known as No. 54 Quarry Bay.

7. Transfer of licences of Nos. 55 and 56 for the sale of fish and pork from Kong Ngan Yip to Young Chiu Cho.

8. Application for a licence to sell pork at No. 54a Shaukiwan West.

9. Application for permission to use the basements of Nos. 71 and 73 Hollywood Road, for the preparation and storage of food.

10. Correspondence relative to the insanitary condition of certain huts in Un Chow Village.

11. Application for permission to erect two units in No. 39 Elgin Road, Kowloon.

12. Further application for exemption from the above provision of a backyard for No. 39 Kramer Street.

13. Further correspondence relative to the application for permission to eroot water closed at the Peak Hotel.

14. Application for a modification of the requirements of Section 184 in respect of No. 3 Wyndham Street.

15. Application for a licence to sell pork at No. 66 Jardine's Bazaar.

16. Correspondence relative to using the kitchens of certain houses in Wellington Street for the preparation of food.

17. Lime-washing Return for the fortnight ended 15th September, 1903.

18. Rat Return for the fortnight ended 21st September, 1903.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 23rd September.

BEFORE MR. T. SINCOMBE SMITH
(POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THREE FROM THE NAVAL YARD
EXTENSION WORKS.

Some time ago Messrs. Puchard, Lowther & Co., the contractors for the Naval Yard Extension, reported to the Police that a large quantity of property had been stolen from the Yard, including chains, clippers, and Lewis-bolts. With the assistance of two of the employees of the firm, the Police searched through the marine dealers' shop, and came upon three Lewis-bolts, value \$20 each, and four shovels with P. L. & Co. marked on the wood. The bolts were immediately recognised. On the case coming before the Court the owner of the shop in which the stolen goods were found, was convicted of receiving the goods, well knowing them to have been stolen. Mr. H. W. Looker, solicitor, defended. The defendant bought the Lewis-bolts for \$1.00 and the shovels for 10 or 15 cents each, whereas they cost \$27 per dozen. The wood-work was new to look at, and the paper labels which had been on the handles were still adhering. His Worship sentenced the defendant to three months' imprisonment without the option of fine.

A shrub which will be in flower in a few days in the new garden is *Oxyanthus tubiflorus*, a native of tropical Africa and belonging to the same family as the *Genista*. The flowers are whitish, trumpet-shaped, several inches long and produced in great abundance. They have been mistaken for lilies when cut, having a certain resemblance in form.

The rainfalls since the 16th of September has been .58 of an inch only.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA SHANGHAI.]

ROYAL VISITS.
Berlin, 18th September.

Count Lambrill will accompany the Tsar to Rome.—O. Lloyd.

THE BALKANS.

Berlin, 18th September.
Russia recommends the Powers again to warn Bulgaria with regard to the calling out of her reserves. Bulgaria declares that these military measures are of no aggressive character. Here in Berlin it is not believed that war will take place.—O. Lloyd.

THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN CRISIS.

Berlin, 18th September.

The proclamation of the Emperor Franz Joseph to the Imperial and Royal army with regard to the Hungarian words of command and emblems to be used in the Hungarian part of the army says that H. M. the Emperor will never give up his authority, which guarantees the defence of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy against every enemy. The decree causes the greatest excitement in Hungary. The ministerial crisis has become more acute with regard to the proclamation and some other demands of the opposition.

The Austrian Reichsrath is called for Wednesday, the 23rd September.—O. Lloyd.

GUARANTEE OF PEACE.

Berlin, 18th September.

The *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* states in a leader that the visit of H. M. Emperor William, which takes place to-day at Vienna, is a renewed guarantee of peace and is well fitted to prove the stability of the German-Austro-Hungarian alliance and to strengthen the same.—O. Lloyd.

THE SUNKEN CHINESE CRUISER.

The projected voyage of a survey party to the wreck of the Chinese cruiser *Huan Tai* has not yet been definitely arranged. As before intimated in these columns, the sunken cruiser lies in about 17 fathoms of water. If salvage operations are undertaken, it will be for the purpose not of raising the ship but of recovering the specie and rifles on board, amounting to some \$1,000,000 dollars' worth.

UNLAWFUL QUARRYING.

P.S. 19* prosecuted a native of New Kowloon for quarrying stone, having no lawful right to do so. Sentence—\$100 or three months.

S. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The Brother Director of S. Joseph's College begs to return his warmest thanks to the following gentlemen for their kind donations towards the additions lately put up in the College.

Six T. Jackson	\$100
Hon. Sir C. P. Chater and Mody	100
Mr. Ho Tung	400
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A. Shaw	10
A. R. Crivie	10
A. R. Lowe	10
G. Badolo	10
E. Kutter	10

OMAR AND HAMSWORTH.

The *Japan Advertiser* handles the London *Daily Mail* without glores, but the castigation is well deserved. "Saul is among the prophets," says our *Yokohama* contemporary, "and the *London Daily Mail* of London among the prudish. The copyright restrictions on Fitzgerald's popular translation of *Omar Khayyam*, having been removed, that intensely human poet and philosopher becomes the property of more than the favoured few. He comes within the reach of the many who need him. The appearance of a threepenny edition on the London book market has caused the *London Mail* posing as a guardian of public morals, and as advocate of the purest and best literature, is one to move a confirmed melancholic to mirth, to arrest the agonies of lost souls, and make them shake their red-hot fletchers with very glee. According to Hamsworth's immaculate and edifying organ, old Omar is 'imincil to publis morals, his philosophy is mischievous and depressing, and it followed to its logical end would wond over the fabric of society in a flood of sensuality.' Has the intelligent counseil of this dictum ever considered the effect upon the social fabric of following to their logical end the teachings of the Founder of Christianity, and if so, dare the *Mail* describe the Bible as a book to be burned by the common hangman? No comparison between the rhyme and the scriptures is suggested; the refer-ace merely accentuates the feebleness of the 'logical end' argument. *Omar! O Mail!* Both of them are known for what they are. There is no misunderstanding in either case. Perhaps the philosophy of this crassly wine bibber, this blasphemous old toper, as the *Mail* describes him, may receive attention when the philosophy of the *Mail*, to put it complimentarily, is credited with less importance than it doubtless deserves.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

"The barometer has fallen over Central Japan, risen over the Loochoos."

The depression is moving NE. and approaching the S. coast of Japan in the neighbourhood of the Kit Channel.

Pressure remains high to the NE. of Japan.

Fresh NE. winds in the Formosa Channel and over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate NE. winds; fair.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [2675]

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO. LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the New Issue of Capital must be applied for before 1st OCTOBER next, after which date any unallotted shares will be dealt with as laid down in the Articles of Association.

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Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [2679]

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Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [2680]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stomachers Island on the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1903, at targets in a Westerly direction, to the South of Chung Hua Island.

Practices will commence at about 8.30 A.M. and end at about 10 A.M., if the range is clear.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [2678]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

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Captain Ehrler, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 1st October, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [2677]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd, where in both cases it will meet Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 24th instant.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer, Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer, must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 3rd prox. or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [10-12]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE FOURTH DRAWING of SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, \$100 each, was held in the HONGKONG CLUB HOUSE, on SATURDAY, the 19th inst. when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:

9 276 579 999 1452

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By Order,

C. H. GRACE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [2682]

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DANCING.

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proposed in informing the residents of Hongkong and district that she is opening
DANCING CLASSES for BEGINNERS at the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 5th OCTOBER. Great pains will be taken in training Pupils, and none but those really desirous of learning the art need enrol themselves as discipline in the class-room is essential and will be insisted upon.

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Note.—When there are three children from one family, the third will be allowed half fee.

PRIVATE LESSONS given at hours to suit the conveniences of pupils. For further information enquire of the ROBINSON PIANO CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1903. [2606]

AUCTION.

THE UNDERSIGNED have received instructions from the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE to Sell by Public Auction

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 25th SEPTEMBER, 1903, at NOON, at Tsim-Tsa-Tsu Police Station, THE POLICE BOARDING LAUNCH No. 3.

Particulars:
Built by The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd, in December, 1877.

Hull ... Teakwood.

Length ... 51 ft. 3 in. over all.

Breadth ... 10 ft. 0 in.

Depth ... 4 ft. 6 in.

Cylinders ... 7 in. by 12 in.

Stroke ... 9 in.

Engines ... Compound Non-condensing.

Inspecting Orders can be had on application at the Office of the Undersigned.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [2650]

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [2651]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS of the above Club will be held in the PAVILION on MONDAY, the 28th inst., at 5.15 p.m.

BUSINESS:
The Passing of the Report and Accounts.
The Election of Officers.
To discuss a scheme for a New Pavilion, etc., etc.

By Order,

A. G. WARD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [2651]

HONGKONG ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above SOCIETY will be held in the CITY HALL on TUESDAY, the 9th inst., at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report, electing a Committee, and other business.

N. S. BROWN,

Hon. Secretary.

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Swatow, 29th August, 1903. [2600]

THE AMERICA CUP.

From American papers quoted in the *Kobe Chronicle* we publish a few extracts from the voluminous reports that have appeared of the last international yacht race for the possession of the America Cup. The following is a summary of the first completed race, sailed on the 22d ult.:-

"In a piping breeze—the weather he wanted—and under as clear a sky as mariners at Sandy Hook have ever known, Sir Thomas Lipton saw his third *Shamrock* out-manoeuvred and out-sailed in the first completed race this year of the international series. Not since the coveted trophy was won, fifty-two years ago to-day, by the Yankee schooner whose victory was so decisive that to the enquiring British monarch it was announced, "Madame, there is no second," has there been a contest which for the spars and hulls would clash, but they wheeled and circled like gulls, tacking, gybing, and putting about across the line, close-hauled for the tressel to windward. It was seen that the American skipper, by his extremely clever work, had again out-generalled his rival and secured the weather gauge. Not only was the challenger's captain defeated in his effort to secure the windward berth, but he actually failed to cross in time to save a handicap, an almost unpardonable offence in a cup contest."

"At every point of sailing the defender's superiority was demonstrated. She gained one minute and fifty-five seconds in windward work, forty seconds on the run to the second mark, and forty-five seconds on the close reach for home."

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ARRIVALS.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLIES TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	BALLAARAT	Brit. str.	F. R. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	26th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BOONEO	Brit. str.	G. W. Gordon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 17th Oct.
LIVERPOOL	DOMINIEUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	9th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	Hilbunch	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	29th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & V. S'PORE, &c.	IPAWA MARU	Jap. str.	W. Belbridge	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	3rd Oct., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	AUSTRALIEN	Fren. str.	Verron	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	6th Oct., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	H. Nish	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	13th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LIN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	27th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ZIETEN	Ger. str.	E. Wilhelm	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ADESHINA	Ger. str.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	6th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	BEISGAVIA	Ger. str.	Brahmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKALINIE	20th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAXONIA	Rus. str.	Matcovitch	BRADLEY & CO.	3rd November.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	K. GTSCHAKOW	Aus. str.	Sander	WIELER & CO.	To-day.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	F. FERDINAND	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	21st Oct.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SATSUMA	Rus. str.	SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	About 23rd inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NOEDKIN	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	17th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TARTAR	Brit. str.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	7th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	E. OF CHINA	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	21st October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	CALCHAS	Jap. str.	Goo Anderson	To-day.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAGA MARU	Brit. str.	P. P. Craven	6th Oct., at 4 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	J. McD. Howie	14th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	CHINGTU	Jap. str.	A. E. Mosse	5th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	Dabell	1st Oct., at 5 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	GUTHRIE	Brit. str.	A. Thompson	About 9th Oct.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAXONIA	Brit. str.	E. Porter	1st Oct., at 5 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	J. S. VAN BUREN	About 3rd October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ATHOLL	Brit. str.	K. Kort	28th inst., at 4 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MAZAGAO	Brit. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	2nd Oct., at Noon.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KANAGAWA M.	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 23rd inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIYUAN	Jap. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 12th Oct.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAVOIA	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	26th inst., at Noon.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	9th Oct., Daylight.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KASUGA MARU	Wm. Hunter	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	7th Oct., at Noon.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	N. NOPO	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	26th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	G. M. Montford	To-day.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	COLOMBO	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 23rd inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	LOONGMOON	Brit. str.	SIEMSEN & CO.	26th inst., 3 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MALTA	Jap. str.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 9th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAIGI MARU	Brit. str.	O. L. W. Field	29th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	MAIDZURU M.	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	27th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HAIFONG	Brit. str.	K. Akashi	27th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HAICHING	Passm.	Douglas Laprae & Co.	To-morrow, 10 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	H. S. Smith	29th inst., 11 A.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YUENSANG	Jap. str.	JARDINS, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, 4 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ZAFIBO	Brit. str.	S. J. Payne	26th inst., 10 A.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HUFEN	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	30th inst.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	J. McD. Howie	5th October.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PERLA	Brit. str.	Dabell	About 9th Oct.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	WUCHANG	Jap. str.	J. McD. Howie	28th inst., at 5 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	HIROSHIMA M.	Jap. str.	S. J. Payne	To-day.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	G. APCAB	Brit. str.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	6th Oct., at Noon.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAMBIA	Brit. str.	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	29th inst., at 8 P.M.	
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP		Ger. str.	MELCHERS & CO.	1st Oct., at Noon.	

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		W. Bainbridge	at DAYLIGHT.
		HIBOKIMA MARU	SUNDAY, 4th Oct.
		J. Negro	at NOON.
		KAGA MARU	TUESDAY, 6th Oct.
		Geo. Anderson	at 4 P.M.
		KASUGA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct.
		Wm. Hunter	at NOON.
		S. J. G. Parsons	FRIDAY, 9th Oct.
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"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 18th Nov.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 16th Dec.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan. 1904
"ATHENIAN"	3,882 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan.
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb.
"TARTAR"	4,423 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 24th Feb.
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 9th Mar.
"EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons		WEDNESDAY, 20th Mar.
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